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METHOD OF FORMING A NOVEL TOP-METAL FUSE STRUCTURE

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U.S. Patent 6,162,686 to Huang et al., "Method for Forming a Fuse in Integrated Circuit Application," describes a method of forming a grooved fuse (plug fuse) in the same step that via plugs are formed in the guard ring area and in the product device areas.

U.S. Patent 6,100,118 to Shih et al., "Fabrication of Metal Fuse Design for Redundancy Technology Having a Guard Ring," describes a fuse guard ring method and structure.

U.S. Patent 6,277,674 to Wang et al., "Semiconductor Fuses, Methods of Using the Same, Methods of Making the Same, and Semiconductor Devices Containing the Same," describes a fuse and a process for fabricating the fuse.

U.S. Patent 4,740,485 to Sharpe-Geisler, "Method for Forming a Fuse," describes a method for forming a titanium tungsten fuse.

U.S. Patent 4,796,075 to Whitten, "Fusible Link Structure for Integrated Circuits," describes a fusible link structure for integrated circuits.

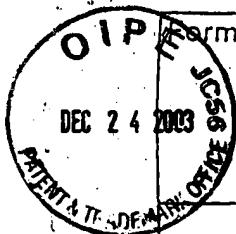
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U.S. Patent 5,914,524 to Komenaka, "Semiconductor Device," describes a semiconductor device.

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